

TEMPERANCE COLUMN.

ASHBURNHAM, ONT

A good full audience greeted the St. Luke's Temperance Society at their opening concert Monday evening, Oct. 21st. The programme was fully carried out, and although no encores were permitted on account of the number of pieces provided, not a few were clamorously called for. Miss Hall's two songs were a new treat for St. Luke's, while Miss Cottingham's singing is too well and favorably known to need comment. It is needless to say both young ladies received their fair share of applause. The reading by Mr. Brown was greeted with peals of laughter, and Mr. Hooper's recitation was listened to with bated breath. The club swinging by four young ladies was vociferously applauded and showed the result of careful training. The duet or violin and organ had only one fault, there wasn't enough of it. It is hoped that Messrs. Sherwood and Carveth will give more next time. The programme was concluded by a mirthful reading by the Rev. Mr. McCleary and the singing of God save the Queen.

It is proposed to hold these entertainments fortnightly during the winter months.

GRAFTON, ONT.

At the monthly meeting of The Church of England Temperance Society, held Thursday evening, October 15th, the following resolution was passed, expressing their regret at the intended departure from the parish of the Rev. E. J. Harper, curate of St. George's Church, who has been Vice-President and Secretary of the Society since its inception.

It was moved by Mrs. Hoyt, seconded by Miss Harrie Barrum and resolved, "that we the members of the Grafton Branch of the Church of England Temperance Society having heard of the intended departure from our midst of the Rev. E. J. Harper, should at this the first opportunity offered, place upon record our sincere and heartfelt regret at the irreparable loss this society will sustain, not only of a most efficient Secretary, but of one of our most diligent and indefatigable workers in promoting the good cause we all have so much at heart, and further we wish to convey to Mrs. Harper our united 'God speed,' and that the labours to which he is devoting his life may be crowned with a great measure of success as his most ardent wishes can possibly desire."

A vote of thanks was passed and tendered Miss Godard, who has left here and taken up her residence in Ottawa. She has been a member of the Society since its organization, and the service she has rendered it has very materially helped towards its success. After the business part of the Temperance Society had been disposed of Miss Lulu Baker de Mynter and Miss Marion Gillard came forward and in behalf of the Sunday School children of St. George's Church,



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COTE ST. PAUL, QUE.

A Parochial Branch of the C. E. T. S., in connection with the Church of the Redeemer, was formed here on the evening of the 23rd of October. There was a good attendance of the congregation; Dr. Davidson presided. The officers are Dr. Davidson, Q. C. President; E. B. Meyer, Esq., Vice President; Secretary, Mr. Darbon; Treasurer, Mr. W. Staines. The meeting adjourned to the evening of the first November to complete appointment of members of Council.

THE CHURCH TEMPERANCE SOCIETY IN THE U.S.

Chickering Hall, N. Y., was crowded Tuesday evening, Oct. 8th, with the members and friends of the Church Temperance Society. It was an anniversary meeting of the society and several companies of the young "Knights of Temperance" came in uniform, bearing the bright banners of their order. Bishop Potter presided and the following addresses were made: Bishop Boyd Vincent of Southern Ohio, on "The Basis of the Church Temperance Society"; Bishop Thompson of Mississippi, on "Sobriety, Purity and Reverence"; Bishop Coloman of Delaware, on "Personal Responsibility"; and Robert Graham, secretary of the society, on "The Coffee Tavern Movement in New York."

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